

FRENCH REPEL  
GERMAN ATTACK

French Also Make Successful Attack in Champagne Sector

FRENCH HOSPITALS  
BOMBED BY AVIATORS

Five German Airplanes Are Brought Down by the French Fliers

Paris, Sept. 5.—German attacks on the Alsace and Champagne fronts last night were repelled by the French, says today's official communication. The French made a successful attack in Champagne. French hospitals behind the Verdun front were bombed by German aviators and deaths and injuries are reported to have been caused. The statement says Bar De Luc also received a number of projectiles and there were several victims among the civilian population.

CAPTURE OF MONTE SAN  
GABRIELE IS CONFIRMED

Italians Now Possess the Entire Chain of Mountains Which Dominate Gorizia.

London, Sept. 5.—A dispatch received confirms the capture by Italians of Monte San Gabriele, together with 950 prisoners, including 32 officers. The Italians now possess the entire chain of mountains which dominate Gorizia.

## RUSSIANS CONTINUE RETREAT.

They Have Crossed the Livonian River

Petrograd, Sept. 5.—The Russians are continuing their retreat along the coast of the Gulf of Riga toward the north-east. They have crossed the Livonian river Aa, the war office announces. Russian forces operating in an easterly direction from Riga have retired to Segovold and Lemberg. The announcement states that hostile ships, which have been shelling the Riga coast, were submarines.

## THE CURSE OF MAR FULFILLED.

Every Part Complete in the Course of 300 Years.

Curses do sometimes come home to roost. One of the best known is "the curse of Mar." The earl of Mar was cursed prior to 1571 when he was elevated to the position of regent of Scotland. This was the curse:

"This lands shall be given to the stranger, and thy titles shall be among the dead. The branch that springs from thee shall see his dwelling burnt in which a king was nursed—his wife a sacrifice to that same fame, his children numerous, but of little honor and three born and grown who shall never see the light. Horses shall be stabled in thy hall, and a weaver shall throw his shuttle in the chamber of state. Thine ancient tower shall be a ruin and a beacon until an ash sapling shall spring from its topmost stone. Then shall his name be restored. The kiss of peace shall be given to the countless, though she seek it not, and the days of peace shall return to thy line."

In the course of 300 years every part of the curse was fulfilled. Then in 1820 the ash sapling duly appeared. Two years later George IV. restored the earldom, and later Queen Victoria kissed the countless.—London Cor., New York Sun.

## EAST ORANGE

O. A. and H. A. Prescott, Mrs. Nellie Bailey, Mr. and Mrs. Byron Mathieu, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Coleman and son, Roy, took an auto trip recently to Hall's pond and Groton pond, returning home by way of Bradford.

E. L. Sanborn, who has been spending the week with his family at Lake Morey, was home Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Simpson returned to the lake with him for a few days' outing.

Mrs. Inez Ballou and family have returned to their home in Randolph.

Harry and Irving Bowen of Chelsea were calling on old friends here recently. Mrs. Kate Brooks left for her home in Syracuse, N. Y., Saturday. Miss Ethel Hamilton carried her to Bradford with her auto to take the train. Miss Hamilton went to Lake Morey to spend a few days with friends before returning home.

Mr. and Mrs. Byron Mathieu left Saturday for their home in Norwich, Conn., after spending a two weeks' vacation with their friend, Mrs. Nellie Bailey, at the home of O. A. Prescott.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Sanborn and Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Simpson were in Montpelier Friday.

H. A. Prescott and Mrs. Nellie Bailey were in Bradford Saturday.

G. M. Burroughs and family of Barre were at W. M. Prescott's Monday.

O. L. Hutchinson and family were in Bradford Sunday.

HIGH TAX PROFITS  
THROWN OVERBOARD

Amendments By Hollis and La Follette Voted Into Oblivion Spite of Oratory.

Washington, Sept. 5.—In rapid succession yesterday the Senate bowed over by overwhelming majorities three more proposals to increase the levies on war profits in the tax bill.

An amendment by Senator Hollis to tax war profits not only at higher rates, but to strike out the finance committee's new clause levying \$428,000,000 additional on ordinary excess profits was rejected, 57 to 12. Then without debate one by Senator La Follette to fix a flat rate of 60 per cent designed to raise not less than \$1,800,000,000 on war profits was beaten, 50 to 18. The minimum flat rate proposal of 50 per cent of the high tax group presented by Senator Hollis, was voted down, 56 to 16.

With these setbacks the fight to substitute a flat rate for the graduated system of the excess was profits section virtually ended and the contest entered a new stage. Before the final vote on the war profits section set by unanimous agreement for late today, the high rate faction plans an effort to raise the graduated rates now in the bill.

BRITISH STEAMER  
KENMORE SUNK

Probably By German Submarine—Steamer Was En Route to This Country.

Boston, Sept. 5.—The sinking of the British steamer Kenmore, probably by a German submarine, was reported in cable advices received by the owners, the Furness Withy company, here today. The message gave no details, as to time, place or crew. The steamer was en route to this country.

## TO PUT BAN ON SEDITION.

Court Charges Grand Jury to Indict the "Soap Box" Orators.

New York, Sept. 5.—"Soap-box sedition" in this city is to be ruthlessly stamped out if vigorous action by the law can accomplish this purpose. A special charge to the September grand jury was delivered by Judge McIntyre in the court of special sessions yesterday in which he laid emphasis on the importance of indicting all persons engaged in unlawful assemblage, declaring he deemed it his duty to call the jury's attention to flagrant transgressions of the law occurring daily in New York. He urged that permits to speak in public highways be withheld in many cases.

"Mobs congregate to be addressed by speakers," said the judge, "nearly all of whom are foreigners. The institutions of our country are denounced, the laws of the republic are vilified, successful business men, who have acquired property rights through honest endeavors, are abused and corporations carrying on legitimate enterprises are characterized as malefactors."

GENERAL GURKO  
EXILED FROM RUSSIA

Former Commander Charged with Treasonable Conduct Toward the Revolution.

Petrograd, Sept. 5.—General Gurko, former commander on the southwestern front, charged with treasonable conduct toward the revolution, will be exiled from Russia. He will be permitted to choose his place of residence and will be given three days in which to arrange his affairs. He will be followed into exile by his wife. General Gurko has been degraded and his request for a new inquiry into his acts has been refused.

## CHURCHES UNITE.

Experiment in Town of Cambridge Proving Success.

Cambridge, Sept. 5.—The success of an experiment in church work in a rural community which is being tried out here will be followed with interest. Within its boundaries Cambridge has a population of 1696 people and the village, Cambridge, Cambridge Junction and Jeffersonville. The latter has a well-sustained church of the Congregational denomination, Cambridge formerly maintained Congregational and Methodist churches and also a Catholic church.

With changed conditions the work of maintaining two Protestant organizations became a problem and several months ago a consolidation of the two Protestant organizations was effected. So far the work has been a success and it is practically determined for the best interests of all concerned it be made permanent. During the summer the Rev. John L. Small of St. Albans has served as temporary pastor pending the arrival of Rev. Walter H. Gould, who has been making a special study to fit him for a post of this type. He has begun work.

## CAUGHT UNDER LOAD OF HAY

Dr. John R. Cogswell of Warner, N. H., Receives Serious Injuries.

Warner, N. H., Sept. 5.—Dr. John R. Cogswell, a retired physician, aged 77 years, met with a serious accident yesterday while returning home from his farm. He was riding on a load of hay, which was upset when the horse ran away. He was pinned under the heavy wagon and his bulky contents.

The aged man was rendered unconscious and remained buried under the load and nearly suffocated until he was found by several farmers at dusk. He received a fractured collar bone, fractured ribs and other injuries.

Dr. Cogswell was taken to his home in an automobile by Duncun Ferguson, where he was attended by his son, Dr. Lloyd H. Cogswell, Dr. Oliver of this town and Dr. Graves of Concord.

ANOTHER AIR  
RAID ON LONDON

11 Persons Killed and 62 Injured in Moonlight Raid

EIGHT OR TEN RAIDERS  
OVER LONDON

One Raider Is Reported to Have Been Brought Down

London, Sept. 5.—Nine persons were killed and 49 were injured in the moonlight aerial raid on England last night. One raider is reported to have been brought down off Sheerness, it is announced officially. One bomb fell just outside of a hospital, another smashed through a theatre and still another hit a retail store in which a number of girls were sleeping. Notwithstanding it was moonlight, nothing could be seen of the raiders, although their engines could be heard overhead. Their invisibility was due to a slight haze. The streets of London were virtually deserted at the time of the raid, it being long after theatre hours. A message from the southeastern district says apparently the invaders crossed the North sea in three successive groups and that all were severely shelled, both arriving and returning. More bombs appear to have fallen in the streets than hit buildings. The Chronicle estimates that eight or ten raiders visited London.

The second attack over the London district occurred about 1 o'clock this morning, when some people claim to have seen six airplanes. After dropping bombs the raiders flew seaward. One machine was located at a height of 9000 feet and was shelled, and the onlookers declare was hit.

The official statement says that it is possible as many as 20 machines took part in the raid, crossing the southeast coast over a wide area. Forty bombs were dropped in the London district.

Later it was officially announced that 11 persons were killed and 62 injured in last night's raid over London.

## BRITISH RETURN RAIDS

Many Tons of Bombs Dropped on German Military Establishments.

London, Sept. 5.—Many tons of bombs have been dropped in further raids on German military establishments in Belgium, causing large fires, according to an admiralty announcement today.

COLONEL ROOSEVELT  
TALKS TO THE FARMERS

"The Man Who Makes a Huge Profit Out of the War Is an Enemy of His Country," the Colonel Declares.

Chatham, N. Y., Sept. 5.—Theodore Roosevelt, in a speech here today at the Columbia county fair, on America's part in the war, urged enactment by Congress of legislation which would prohibit publication of newspapers printed in the tongue of any nation with which the United States is at war.

Besides insisting upon undivided Americanism, Colonel Roosevelt said, the farmer and the wage earner must receive justice. By direct action of the state, the farmer should be secured from exploitation, he declared, and producer and consumer brought together "without paying toll to those middlemen who do not serve a useful purpose."

"The man who makes a huge profit out of the war," the colonel continued, "is an enemy of his country; and an organization like the Industrial Workers of the World, which is playing the German game in this country, and whose preaching and practice spell destruction to civilization, is as much an enemy to this country as a hostile army."

The unscrupulous profiteers and the workmen who refuse to do first-class work for a first-class wage are really the allies of our enemies; and of course the pro-Germans, the professional pacifists, the men who wish an inconclusive peace or a peace without a victory, the Industrial Workers of the World, the Socialist machine, are not merely allies of our enemies, but are themselves our enemies.

"Only the overthrow of the brutal and unscrupulous militarism of the Prussianized Germany of the Hohenzollerns will make this world safe either for the United States or for democracy."

## BOND BILL TO GO THROUGH

All Parties United in Support of Its General Features.

Washington, Sept. 5.—Passage of the \$11,588,945,460 war bond and certificate bill by the House in virtually the form it was reported from the committee seemed assured last night, after four hours of general debate on the measure. All parties are united in supporting the general features of the bill, and a fight by Representative Moore of Pennsylvania for his proposed amendment to create a war expenditures committee probably will not delay the vote beyond late today.

President Wilson let it be known yesterday that he still opposed any congressional war committee and administration leaders immediately laid plans to strike out the Moore proposal on a point of order. Mr. Moore then introduced it as a separate bill, so, if it is defeated as an amendment he still will have another chance to bring it up.

BRADSHAW MURDER  
JURY IS COMPLETED

Defense Claims Mrs. Kenerson Had No Hand in the Murder of Alice Bradshaw—First Witness Testifies.

St. Johnsbury, Sept. 5.—Late yesterday afternoon the jury was completed in the Bradshaw murder case after 20 talesmen had been excused by the court and seven jurors challenged by the attorneys in the case.

State's Attorney Campbell outlined the case, stating that the evidence of the state would show that the respondent, Mrs. Sarah Isabel Kenerson, had voluntarily admitted that she killed Alice Bradshaw, that she helped carry the child to another spot, and that later she asked John Kerwin to help her carry the body to the farm of Ellery Gray, where it was found on Aug. 9, five weeks after the murder. Their evidence would further show that the child, owing to her physical condition, could never have gone to this place alone and that she had never walked more than a mile since her severe attack of infantile paralysis.

David E. Porter, in outlining the evidence that the defense would introduce, said they would show that the child left her home alone that afternoon, that the respondent knew she had disappeared and telephoned the next day to see if she had been found. Further, that respondent knows nothing about any injuries being inflicted upon the child and that the alleged confession was made to a deputy sheriff after she had been told that Etta May Hicks, also indicted for the murder, had made a full confession. Mr. Porter said the defense would also show that these alleged confessions were made by the respondent when filled with terror at her arrest without a warrant, and that she answered the questions just as the officers wanted her to. Further, that she had nothing to do with the death of the child, whom she loved, and no one thought so until the officers induced her to make a series of confessions, which were contradictory and untrue, and any evidence tending to show that she hid the body was manufactured and given solely to obtain favor.

To much of Mr. Porter's statement, Attorney General Barber strenuously objected, and several exceptions were allowed by the court.

The only witness yesterday afternoon was Nathan Bess, who testified to having seen Alice Bradshaw at home early in the afternoon on the day of the alleged murder, and returning by the house two hours later, in his automobile, he did not see her there. It is expected the case will occupy this week, and indications point to a sharply contested trial at every point.

## ARRIVE IN FRANCE.

St. Johnsbury Young People Go to Europe to Do War Work.

St. Johnsbury, Sept. 5.—Cablegrams received yesterday by their St. Johnsbury relatives announced the safe arrival in France of Miss Anne Peck and Horace Massey. Miss Peck sailed from New York three years ago as a trained nurse with a New York base hospital unit. Mr. Massey has enlisted with the Yale battalion and was graduated from St. Johnsbury academy a year ago.

Walter W. Hubbard, now of Washington, is on the ocean en route to Geneva, Switzerland, where he will be employed by the Red Cross in work for prisoners of war. Mr. Hubbard was a former well-known newspaper man, once Senator Dillingham's secretary and later a member of the immigration commission that spent a year in Europe studying labor conditions.

## SCHOOL BOY BURGLAR.

Harold A. Smith of Northfield Is Held for County Court.

Northfield, Sept. 5.—Harold A. Smith, a school boy, was bound over to Washington county court yesterday afternoon by Judge Harvey of Montpelier city court, who has jurisdiction for trials in this town. Bail of \$500 was furnished by his father. The boy is charged with breaking into the house of Harriet E. Elliott and stealing two rifles, several pairs of skates and other articles and a little money. It is expected that an information will be filed against him.

## CERTIFIES 344 NAMES

685 More Before Vermont Has Fulfilled Its Quota of 1,029.

The federal district board of appeals in Montpelier has certified to the adjutant general a total of 344 names, leaving 685 more names to be certified before Vermont has fulfilled its quota of 1,029 for the first draft. Cabdonia county has 24 names certified and is the only county in the state to have its full quota. The certification by counties is as follows: Addison 61, Bennington 47, Caledonia 24, Grand Isle 17, Orange 42, Rutland No. 1 38, Rutland No. 2 39, Washington 18, Windsor 58. The board reconvened last evening after a recess taken last week.

## TEXAS GOVERNOR ON TRIAL.

Austin, Tex., Sept. 5.—Repetition of testimony regarding the financial affairs of Gov. Ferguson made at the House investigation, which resulted in his impeachment, was begun when the suspended chief executive was placed on trial before the Senate here yesterday. H. F. Blum, assistant cashier of the Temple State bank, of which Governor Ferguson formerly was president, was on the stand when adjournment was taken until yesterday to allow him to obtain additional data. Blum testified that the personal account of the governor and the account of the Bell-Bozque ranch, of which Mr. Ferguson was a stockholder, were overdrawn \$56,560.12 on Oct. 18, 1916.

NEW NATIONAL  
ARMY GATHERING

Advance Guard of Men Selected by Draft Arrives at Ayer

CANTONMENT IS  
FULLY READY

The State of Maine Was the First to Have Men on the Ground

Ayer, Mass., Sept. 5.—The advance guard of men selected by the draft from New England and northern New York for the new National army arrived at Camp Devens today. The rapidly built cantonment, where they will receive their training, was fully ready for them. The weather was inspiring, the hills of central Massachusetts standing out sharply against the blue sky of a typical New England autumn day and the cool of the season.

The state of Maine was the first to have men on the ground. They arrived shortly after midnight. Shortly after 6 o'clock little groups of two or three men, residents of Ayer and nearby towns, presented themselves at headquarters, and throughout the day such contingents continued to arrive. The afternoon train from Boston is expected to bring the largest party.

Before noon about half the men expected today had reached the camp. Men from Maine, Massachusetts, Rhode Island and New Hampshire were among the morning arrivals. Others were expected later from Vermont and New York state.

Two troops of regular cavalry, a field hospital company, a sanitary unit, a field bakery, officers from the Plattsburg training camp and the Harvard reserve officers' corps band were at the camp when the recruits arrived. The new soldiers assembled at a building near the main gate for their final physical examination and when passed were assigned to the company barracks. After receiving requisition cards they went to the company stores for clothing and bedding. When they were clad in their new uniforms and had put their sleeping quarters in order, the first day for the soldiers of the new national army was over.

The army of 10,000 workmen who have been engaged for the last few months in putting up the cantonment buildings, constructing roads, installing a lighting and heating plant, and other camp essentials, will begin to depart today. They will leave in detachments every day thereafter as the camp nears completion.

## THE NEW NATIONAL ARMY.

First Five Per Cent Reporting to Fort-tent Cantonments.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 5.—The first of the new national army went into uniform today in 14 cantonments formed of groups of recruits, the first five per cent quota of the draft army. Each group on arrival was stripped of civilian clothing and supplied with a khaki uniform and the other accoutrements of soldiers. Training will start tomorrow.

## HONORS NATIONAL ARMY.

President Wilson and Congress March in Parade at Washington.

Washington, Sept. 5.—There never perhaps was such an impressive demonstration as Washington made yesterday in honor of the young men of the capital chosen for the national army through the selective draft. The president of the United States led the procession, marching on foot. Members of the cabinet walked at the head of the contingents from their respective departments of the government. Nearly the entire membership of the Senate and a heavy majority of the House were in line.

President Wilson and the thousand-odd drafted men from the District of Columbia got the bulk of the cheering that was continuous from the peace monument at the foot of Capitol hill, where the parade was formed, to Eighteenth street, two blocks beyond the White House, where it was disbanded.

## FUNERAL OF THOMAS M. MARR.

Held from His Late Home on Washington Street.

Funeral services for Thomas M. Marr, a long-time resident of Barre, whose death at his home, 193 Washington street, Saturday morning followed a long illness, were held at the home Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. James Ramage, pastor of the East Barre Congregationalist church, officiating. The attendance included members of Clan Gordon, No. 12, O. S. C., and Operative lodge of Masons to which Mr. Marr belonged. Those who acted as bearers are: George Troup and James Mackay of the Masons, Alexander Anderson and William McDonald of Clan Gordon, Harold Clark and William McKenzie of Graniteville.

Interment was made in the family lot at Elmwood cemetery, where the committal services of the Masons and clansmen were given at the graveside.

## GRANITEVILLE

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Rich and Mr. and Mrs. Henry LaRoe of Barre visited at Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Rich's over Sunday.

Gordon Austin and son of Orleans visited at Mr. and Mrs. Will Gay's last week.

## HEARING ON HOOD CHILD'S DEATH.

Public Service Commission Hears Numerous Witnesses of Accident.

Before Chairman Robert C. Bacon of Brattleboro and W. A. Dutton of Hardwick, members of the public service commission, a hearing was held in the council chamber at city hall yesterday afternoon on the death of Rosney Hood, the four-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Hood, who was killed on the Central Vermont railroad track north of the yard limit near his home in Berlin Aug. 11. State's Atty. Earle R. Davis appeared for the state, and the railroad company was represented by Charles F. Black. Mr. Hood was present, but did not have counsel. Neil D. Clawson of Brattleboro, clerk of the commission, was also present.

The witnesses included the father of the dead boy and members of the train crew. The engineer, M. J. McMahon, testified that he was at the throttle when the 5:55 train, northbound, pulled out of Barre. After passing the yard limit he looked out of the cab window and saw the child start to cross the track from the west side. At that time, the witness continued, the child was about 20 feet ahead of the train. Engineer McMahon stated that he immediately applied his brakes. The train was going at the rate of 20 miles per hour, and four cars were attached to the locomotive. When the train halted, it was found that the body of the child lay on the track some 50 feet in the rear of the last car.

Evidence corroborating the statement of the engineer was offered by Conductor Charles R. Simmons, Fireman Peter Herbert and Brakeman Charles Hoyt, all of whom testified briefly. The witness, Hood, told of the location of his home with reference to the railroad. No statement was made by the commission when the hearing was adjourned.

It is probable that a hearing in the case of James B. Edward, a granite manufacturer, who was killed on a crossing west of Depot square Friday morning, will be held next week, although a date has not been fixed.

## VETERANS' REUNION CLOSSES.

Speeches, Reminiscences and Singing Wind Up a Successful Gathering.

Civil war veterans and members of allied patriotic societies quitted Dewey park last evening after a successful reunion under the auspices of the Washington County Veterans' association. Sons of Veterans and their auxiliary had charge of a program of singing during the afternoon, the music being interspersed with speeches and reminiscences by the veterans. This year the veterans' association deemed it wise to hold the reunion in September rather than in August because of the restrictions placed on public gatherings. Consequently they found Dewey park somewhat exposed to the cold night air of September, but the brisk weather each evening did not interfere materially with the program. Next year the veterans expect to return to Dewey park in August.

## CASABELLA—ROSSI.

Well-Known Young People Quietly Married Monday Afternoon.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Rizzi of North Main street on the afternoon of Monday, Sept. 3, at 3 o'clock Miss Julia Rossi of High Holborn street and John Casabella, son of Mrs. Carlotta Casabella of Center street, were married by Justice of the Peace Stephen Rizzi, only the relatives and immediate friends witnessing the ceremony. The bride was attended by Miss Eliza Casabella, a sister of the groom, and Agostino Paolacci acted as best man. In the evening the bridal party received at a gathering in the Knights of Columbus hall, after which dancing and refreshments were enjoyed. The bride, who recently came to Barre from Italy, has been living in the home of her sister. Mr. Casabella is employed as a clerk in the People's Shoe store. They are residing on Center street.

## BASSETT—DIACK.

Barre Young People Married at Presbyterian Manse Last Evening.

At the Presbyterian manse on Wellington street Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock Miss Ruth Diack of Pleasant street and Frank Bassett of Jefferson street were married by Rev. Edgar Crossland. The couple were attended by Miss Mary Bassett and James Brown. After a week's honeymoon trip, Mr. and Mrs. Bassett are to make their home in Barre, where the groom is employed.

## CASE OF POLIO AT BURLINGTON.

Partial Quarantine to Protect Soldiers at Fort Ethan Allen.

Burlington, Sept. 5.—Col. W. C. Rivers, commander at Fort Ethan Allen, issued orders yesterday forbidding children under 16 years from entering the reservation and also forbidding those of similar age to leave the post. This is a partial quarantine to guard against the spread of infantile paralysis, one case of which exists in this city.

Soldiers were also forbidden to indulge in soda or ice cream in Burlington, Wisconsin or Essex Junction. If infantile paralysis should spread to any extent in this locality, a strict quarantine of the post will be established and maintained.

## Case of Polio at Middlesex.

Middlesex, Sept. 5.—One case of infantile paralysis has been reported in Middlesex, the child of Harry Sherburne, and the house was quarantined yesterday. There are other cases under suspicion. Dr. Taylor of Burlington visiting the town yesterday afternoon.

HEALTH BILLS  
MOUNTING UP

Collection of City Garbage Is Costing at Rate of \$3,000 a Year

WHERE FOR EARLY  
IT COSTS ONLY \$650

Opera House to Go to J. E. Hoban Another Year at \$22 a Night When It Is Used

Somewhat chaotic conditions in the health department were thoroughly aired at the city council meeting last evening when drivers and sundry bills submitted were sharply scrutinized by members of the health committee as well as others about the board. Some of the confusion has been brought on by the quarantine and as the influx of bills contracted by persons detained at home by measures calculated to stay the progress of polio myelitis continues, the council watches with febrile interest the mounting cost of everything pertaining to the department. Added to the expenses accruing unexpectedly from the quarantine is the outlay necessary to maintaining the garbage system, in which the city is now luxuriating at the rate of nearly \$3,000 per year.

The session ended without any information forthcoming as to how cracked corn, linseed, harness repairs and mowing grass could properly be credited to the health department. But the health committee is saddled with plenty of authority to go as far as it pleases in the matter of investigating and undoubtedly more light on the subject of departmental maintenance will be available next week.

Among the quarantine bills submitted were statements from the D. M. Miles Coal Co. for fuel furnished. Matthew L. Fitzgerald asked remuneration for \$23.05 for groceries purchased, milk, corn, etc., all for a total of \$33.45. To his bill for groceries, milk and other necessities, Anton Erickson added an item of \$44, which is equivalent to two weeks' pay lost by him while in quarantine. Alderman Alexander submitted evidence to show that one family which forwarded a bill last week was out of quarantine Aug. 12, although the city was asked to pay for groceries purchased as late as Aug. 26. The talk drifted into garbage channels and some of the bills submitted by the Kempton mills were introduced to show that a large percentage of the money was charged to the health committee. Cereal items, such as corn and the linseed, were noted and one of the members suggested that flaxseed has been largely substituted for linseed in the matter of polio and the hunt was continued. The health committee, in addition to staggering under a bill of \$18 for mowing grass at the city farm, is also bearing the burden of the garbage collections and testimony of Alderman Milne was produced to show that stumps, tin roofs, ashes and the like are being dumped into the big wagons.

Formerly, it was recalled, the city contracted for the collections at the rate of \$650 per year, while the present cost aggregates \$44 weekly and sometimes more. Alderman Alexander thought it should not exceed \$42 and others were of the opinion that one man and a horse could do the business thoroughly even though two men and a pair of horses have lately figured in the outfit. Alderman Healy could not see the need of continuing the collections after Oct. 1. Just to revamp the first order, the health committee received reaffirmed directions to look into the matter of finances and there the question rested when adjournment was taken.

War's horrors have struck the Barre opera house and the theatre that once looked good to Mr. Leopold Goodkowski of Old Orchard and New York at \$2,000 per annum is going to be leased to John E. Hoban at \$22 per night for every night it is used. The property committee recommended a schedule whereby the present lessee shall continue to control the theatre at a somewhat reduced stipend. For single show nights the fee is \$22; for three-night stands, \$50; and for week shows, \$100. Mr. Hoban is to pay the internal revenue tax of \$100, which is another of war's horrors, and for the electric lights. Home talent companies and other local enterprises are to have the use of the opera house at the same old price. The mayor and the city attorney were instructed to execute the contract with the lessee.

The street committee swung into line with a bundle of overdue reports, which, with the monthly grist of warrants, occupied most of the time. All of the reports given below were accepted: Cement walk on Sheridan street, to be built as soon as finances permit; question of cement paving on South Main street settled by decision to use granite blocks; street superintendent directed to furnish truck testimonial for C. P. Rockwood; Berlin street to be repaired at once; granite wall to be repaired and fill to be made on Warren street; railroads promise to discontinue crossing obstructions and city attorney instructed to take initial steps toward establishing gates where needed; Maple avenue to have sidewalk petitioned for as soon as finances permit; bids on South Main street, paving contract received and one of them accepted; street superintendent directed to dispose of tar barrels at Wells-Lamson plant; Weston Walker's sewer plans on Harrison avenue carried.

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